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WESTERN WATER C O M P A N Y

Western Water Company

- Acquires, Develops and Markets Water Throughout the State of California and Other Western States
- Customers Include Urban Water Districts, Agricultural Users and Government Entities
- First Private Company to Complete an Ag-to-Urban Transfer Accessing Publicly-Owned Conveyance Facilities.
- Sponsor of SB 506, a Bill to Clarify and Implement California's Water Wheeling Statutes



Water Transfers: Part of the Solution

- Water Transfers Are an Integral Part of a Long-Term Solution
- Other Programs Will Be Harmed Without a Fully-Functioning Water Market Including:
 - Storage, Conveyance and Conjunctive Use
 - Environmental Water Account
 - Ecosystem Restoration
 - Conservation and Recycling
 - Appropriate Evaluation of Facilities in Phase III



Suggestion 1: Clarify and Accelerate

- Emphasize the Need for Voluntary North-South and Ag-Urban Transfers
- Eliminate Burdensome Procedures While Preserving Appropriate Protections
- Clarify Rules on What Water Can Be Transferred
- Insist on Economic Access to Public Conveyance Facilities
- Differentiate Between DWR/USBR Roles as Regulators and as Junior Appropriators



Suggestion 3: Agency Teamwork

- Agencies Should Cooperate to Form Water Transfer Rules and Procedures That Work
- Agencies Should Act to Streamline the Transfer Process, Not Create Economic and Procedural Barriers
- Agencies Should Speak and Act in Coordination With CALFED:
 - DWR
 - USBR
 - SWRCB

